Weare New Hampshire March 10, 2009

ARTICLE 1

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By official ballot)

For Selectman Three Year Term Vote for Two

Clow, Thomas 1028 Donison, James 879 (Write-in) (Write-in)

For Selectman One Year Unexpired Term Vote for One

Osborne, Donna 1083 (Write in)

For Ethics Committee Three Year Term Vote for Two

(Write-in) (Write-in)

For Ethics Committee Two Year Term Vote for One

(Write-in)

For Library Trustee Three Year Term Vote for One

Morin, Susan 1156 (Write-in) For Cemetery Trustee Three Year Term Vote for One

Burke, Donald 1127 (Write-in)

For Trustee of Trust Funds Three Year Term Vote for One

McCausland, John 1124 (Write-in)

For Board of Fire-Wards Non-Member Fire Dept. Three Year Term Vote for One

Macauley, Brad 487 Osborne, Jonathan H 641 (Write-in)

For Board of Fire-Wards Member Fire Dept Three Year Term Vote for One

Hippler, Frederick W 550 Thibeault II, Victor P 238 Bailey Jr, Newell 368 (Write-in)

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 1</u>, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to add a new Article 35 entitled "Small Wind Energy Systems"? (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 1039 No 417

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 2</u>, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend Article 32.4.1 to eliminate cell towers in the historic districts? (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 709 No 749

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 3</u>, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to make two (2) amendments Article 27.3.11 to i) allow the open space to be protected by "covenants" and to be able to be held by "land owners" and such open space "may" be deeded to the Town in fee and ii) to amend the second paragraph to further protect the farmlands? (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 970 No 464

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 4</u>, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to make three amendments to Article 4 – Definitions by i) amending the definition of the word "lot" by eliminating the last sentence; ii) amending the definition of dwelling unit by adding the word kitchen; and iii) to add a definition of "conservation land" as there is currently not one? (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 934 No 480

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 5</u>, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend Article 9.1 to add a subsequent offence enforcement fee? (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 763 No 625

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 6</u>, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend the flood plain ordinance

as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program? (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 1089 No 327

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of <u>Amendment No. 7</u>, as received by petition: to amend the Town of Weare Zoning Map by modifying the zoning of Tax Map 202, Lot 043.1, said parcel being located on Concord Stage Road, to change from Commercial (C) to Residential (R)? (By Petition) (Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 934 No 435

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Million, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,250,000.00) for the purpose of constructing a new Public Works (Highway Department) and Transfer Station/Recycling facility and to authorize the issuance of not more than One Million, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,250,000.00) in bonds and/or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) to finance the project and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate, issue, sell, and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof? (3/5 ballot vote required).

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

Yes 561 No 904

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town raise and appropriate, as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Four Million Seven Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Twelve Dollars (4,789,012.00)? Should this article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be Four Million Six Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Three Dollars (4,639,803.00) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

Yes 492 No 960

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars (\$316,435.00) to be added and allocated to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds as shown in the chart below?

Library Computer Replacement Fund	\$ 2,435.00
Highway Truck & Equipment Replacement Fund	\$ 200,000.00
Transfer Station Equipment Fund	\$ 10,000.00
Recreational Dev. & Improvement Fund	\$ 18,000.00
Computer System Fund	\$ 20,000.00
Police Cruiser Fund	\$ 66,000.00

(All the items listed in this article are part of the Town's Capital Improvement Program.)

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

Yes 581 No 881

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing equipment to grind up brush at the Transfer Station?

Yes 508 No 937

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and AFSCME Local 3657 Police Department Employees which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase	Э	Year	Estimated Increase
2009	\$29,318.00	2010	\$22,5	84.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand, Three Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$29,318.00) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

Yes 512 No 960

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) for road reconstruction and resurfacing of roads? Of the \$400,000.00, the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (247,752.00) would be received from Highway Block Grant Funds from the State of New Hampshire (Pursuant to RSA 235) and One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars (\$152,248.00) to be raised from taxation.

Yes 917 No 557

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to cover the costs of the Town's participation in one (1) local Household Hazardous Waste Collection in 2009? This warrant article has been designated by the Board of Selectmen as a Special Warrant Article so that the funds, if approved, may not be transferred for any other purposes. (**Recommended by Board of Selectmen**)

Yes 1031 No 466

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for cemetery improvements? This sum to be withdrawn from Cemetery Trust Funds Cy Pres Account.

Yes 846 No 610

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed Forty-Three Thousand, One Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$43,184.00) to cover the cost of hiring a Full-Time Fire Chief with Level 2 Fire Fighter Certification and EMT-I or Paramedic Certification? This sum to cover six (6) months wages, payroll taxes, and benefits. If approved, future funding for this position will be included in the Fire Department Operating Budget on an annual fiscal year (12-month) basis.

Yes 605 No 886

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$460,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a fire truck and to take any other action needed in relation thereto? Of the \$460,000.00 sum, Two Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$276,400.00) will be withdrawn from the previously established Weare Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Special Revenue Fund, with the remaining balance of One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$183,600.00) to be taken from the previously established Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Capital Reserve Fund.

Yes 587 No 903

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty- Eight Thousand, Fifty-Five Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$28,055.17) to serve as funds for employee raises, said funds to be allocated based upon merit/ personnel performance reviews?

Yes 534 No 946

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be placed in the already existing Employee Retirement Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

Yes 603 No 883

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing fireworks for the 2009 Weare Patriotic Celebration? This warrant article has been designated by the Board of Selectmen as a Special Warrant Article so that the funds, if approved, may not be transferred for any other purposes.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

Yes 746 No 746

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to fund the hiring of a part-time Cable TV/Communications Coordinator, said sum to cover six (6) months in 2009? If approved, future funding for this position will be included in the Operating Budget on an annual fiscal year (12-month) basis.

Yes 305 No 1175

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town modify the purposes of the existing Capital Reserve Fund established under the provisions of RSA 35:1 and titled the Government Building and Maintenance Fund so as to include the following purposes: maintenance, repairs, capital improvements, and professional studies to/for Town buildings. (2/3 vote required for passage).

Yes 762 No 693

Shall the Town rescind the Town of Weare Earth Products Ordinance originally adopted at the 1972 annual town meeting, as well as any subsequent amendments thereto, and, in lieu thereof, to continue to constitute the Board of Selectmen as the Regulator for purposes of matters involving earth material removal, as provided for in RSA 155-E:1, (III)(a), it being understood that, once so designated, the Board of Selectmen, as such Regulator, will be empowered to exercise any and all authority provided to the Regulator by RSA 155-E, including, but not limited to, the authority to adopt regulations governing earth material removal within the Town of Weare, as authorized by RSA 155-E:11.

Yes 657 No 745

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town amend the Finance Committee Ordinance to specify a Nine (9)-member body instead of the current thirteen (13) members now mandated and to make all necessary editorial changes to effectuate this change and to furthermore allow the committee to

organize their sub units as they see fit?

Yes 982 No 468